



(FROM THE QUIVER OF THOMAS PAINE)

Men are born, and always continue, free and equal, in respect to their rights. Civil distinctions, therefore can be founded only on public utility.

The nation is essentially the source of all sovereignty; nor can any individual, or any body of men, be entitled to any authority which is not expressly derived from it.

The end of all political associations is the preservation of the natural and imprescriptible rights of man, and these rights are liberty, property, security, and resistance of oppression.

When it is laid down as a maxim that a king can do no wrong, it places him in a state of similar security with that of idiots and persons insane, and responsibility is out of the question, with respect to himself.

The romantic and barbarous distinctions of men into kings and subjects, though it may suit the condition of courtiers cannot that of citizens; and is exploded by the principle upon which governments are now founded.

Reason and ignorance, the opposites of each other, influence the great bulk of mankind. If either of these can be rendered sufficiently extensive in a country, the machinery of government goes easily on. Reason shows itself, and ignorance submits to whatever is dictated to it.

When we survey the wretched condition of man, under the monarchical and hereditary systems of government, dragged from his home by one power, or driven by another, and impoverished by taxes more than by enemies, it becomes evident that those systems are bad, and that a general revolution in the principle and construction of governments is necessary.

It is attributed to Henry IV of France, a man of an enlarged and benevolent heart, that he proposed, about the year 1620, a plan for abolishing war in Europe. The plan consisted in constituting a European congress, or, as the French authors style it, a pacific republic; by appointing delegates from the several nations, who were to act, as a court of arbitration, in any disputes that might arise between nation and nation.

**THIS WAS GOOD**

An interesting and well-rendered program was given in the room of the American History Class, 11B, on the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday. The program follows:

- Songs—Patriotic Numbers - - - - Class of '32
- Flag Salute - - - - - Class of '32
- Our Lincoln—A Tribute - - - - - Essie Bedard
- Gettysburg Address - - - - - Christine Muller
- Harmonica Selection - - - - - William Flowers
- Short Sketch of Lincoln's Life - Theresa Newman
- Reading—"The Patriot" - - - - - Agnes Smith
- Song—"Battle Hymn of the Republic" - Class of '32
- Ten Dates in the Life of Lincoln - Group of girls
- Anecdotes of Lincoln - - - - - Bertha Peratrovich
- Song—"Star Spangled Banner" - - - - Class of '32

**LOCAL**

Fred Grinnell has just finished a fine book shelf for our library.

Asst. Supt. and Mrs. Ryan passed the last week-end on Old Pacific's shores at Newport.

The senior mechanics, Matthew James, Ira Booth and Bill McGovern, are overhauling the school tractor.

The farmers have taken advantage of the recent good weather and have prepared a goodly acreage for spring seeding.

Mr. Berry's blacksmith boys have just completed the task of making five serving tables for use in the students' kitchen.

There is no denying the fact that the shoe-repairing trade gets business at Chemawa. During the month of January Mr. DeCorah and his boys repaired 652 pairs of shoes—a record for Chemawa.

The roof on our fine new gymnasium is rapidly assuming proportions satisfactory to all concerned. The roof is now on at the north and south ends, and a week of good weather will see the entire structure under cover.

Mr. Ratzburg and his boys are at present engaged at the task of pruning our orchard just north of the hospital. The fence around the orchard has been removed, as it had become so dilapidated that it was no longer of service.

The painting details under Mr. Sanders have just completed painting the interior of the James' home. At present they are doing "retouching work" at the Wigwam, and are also painting bedsteads for both McBride and Hawley halls.

One of the most enjoyable of all affairs of the season was a dinner given last Saturday evening by the Campfire Girls, sponsored by Miss Black. The girls were privileged to invite their boy friends and after the dinner hour there followed a delightful period of games and conversation.